

LINN COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
CEDAR RAPIDS, LINN COUNTY, IOWA
MONDAY, NOVEMBER 6, 2023 10:00 A.M.

The Board met in session at the Linn County Jean Oxley Public Service Center. Present: Chairperson Zumbach, Vice Chairperson Rogers and Supervisor Running-Marquardt. Board members voting "AYE" unless otherwise noted.

Chairperson Zumbach called the meeting to order.

Motion by Zumbach, seconded by Rogers to approve minutes of November 1, 2023 as printed.

Brad Ketels, County Engineer, presented a Vacancy Form requesting an Administrative Secretary for the Secondary Road Department. He is requesting the new position due to changes in their roles and activities within the office. There will be an overall budget increase of about \$10,000 that their budget can absorb. The Board will approve Wednesday.

Motion by Zumbach, seconded by Rogers to open Public Hearing on an ordinance amending the Code of Ordinances, Linn County, Iowa by amending provisions in Chapter 107, Unified Development Code regarding agricultural tourism or agricultural experiences in Linn County

Charlie Nichols, Planning & Development Dir., stated that he has presented this ordinance amendment before for Agricultural Tourism so will not be going over all the details again. Last time Nichols brought it forward Chairperson Zumbach requested that he seek more feedback from local agritourism providers. Nichols reached out to several but did not receive much feedback from them but did get questions from Farm Bureau.

Chairperson Zumbach thanked Nichols for checking with everyone. He wanted to ensure that they were not limiting people who already had stands/stores in business.

Supervisor Rogers asked if any additional feedback was received and Nichols responded no, adding that he toured 4 or 5 of them but not all were in Linn County.

Motion by Rogers, seconded by Running-Marquardt to close public hearing.

Motion by Rogers, seconded by Running-Marquardt to approve first consideration of an ordinance amending the Code of Ordinances, Linn County, Iowa by amending provisions in Chapter 107, Unified Development Code regarding agricultural tourism or agricultural experiences in Linn County.

Supervisor Running-Marquardt stated that this is the type of thing that makes people want to live, grow and raise their family in Linn County and thanked Nichols for his hard work on it.

Pramod Dwivedi, Public Health Dir., stated that he has not received any verbal or written feedback on the Ordinance Amending the Code of Ordinances, Linn County, Iowa by Amending and Adding Provisions in Chapter 10, Article VII, Relating to the Control of Lead-Based Paint Hazards.

Motion by Rogers, seconded by Running-Marquardt to approve upon third and final consideration Ordinance 11-11-2023 of an Ordinance Amending the Code of Ordinances, Linn County, Iowa by Amending and Adding Provisions in Chapter 10, Article VII, Relating to the Control of Lead-Based Paint Hazards.

Dwivedi also discussed a Resolution Establishing Fees for Failure to Complete Lead Hazard Reduction noting that this has already been discussed in detail with the Board. The Board will approve Wednesday.

Sara Bearrows, Budget Dir., presented the Fiscal Year 2025 budget initiatives and guidelines including:

- General Fund ending balance of 25% of expenditures
- No increase in operations other than unavoidable contractual obligations
- No increase in health or dental benefits
- 3% placeholder for wages for management, elected officials and deputies

Discussion continued regarding growth rates, reduction factors and impacts on the upcoming budget.

Motion by Zumbach, seconded by Rogers to approve Employment Change Roster (payroll authorizations) as follows:

COMMUNITY SERVICES

Senior Account Clerk	Misty Beltz	New hire 11/13/23 55A \$20.42 20 hrs/wk_Repl V. Ridenour
Family Service Worker	Kristin Detweiler	New hire 11/13/23 54A \$18.93 Repl K. Stoner

JUVENILE DETENTION

Youth Leader	Cassandra Cokefair	Termination/resignation – on-call position 10/30/23 55A \$20.42
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Intervention Counselor	Kody Mullen	New hire 11/13/23 36A \$25.09 Repl C. Betts
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ENGINEERING

Light Equip Operator	Adam Fryman	End of probation 11/4/23 17A \$23.49–17B \$24.37
Light Equip Operator	Adam King	New hire 11/13/23 17A \$23.49 Repl T. House

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The Board recessed at 10:40 a.m. and reconvened at 12:00 p.m. at the Harris Building, 1020 6th Street SE, Cedar Rapids, for a joint meeting with the Linn County Board of Health. Board of Health members: Dr. Dustin Arnold, Tawnya Salsberry and Karl Cassell.

Pramod Dwivedi, Health Dir., presented a PowerPoint on the Linn County Public Health Annual Report highlighting their accomplishments and legislative issues.

Adjournment at 1:09 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

JOEL D. MILLER, Linn County Auditor
By: Amanda Hoy, Executive Assistant

APPROVED BY:

LOUIS J. ZUMBACH, Chairperson
Board of Supervisors